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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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Date of Interview: 21 June 2001.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.

If Yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: of record.

Identification of prior art discussed: none.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: as per the attached, the attorney will amend claim 8 and the Abstract. The examiner noted some 112 problems with this claim and agreeable language was worked out. Claim 13 was noted as having an antecedent basis problem with the last line "it". The term --the separator-- will replace the same. The attorney will file an amendment with the above changes and the application will receive favorable consideration.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview(if box is checked).

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